# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 09 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 10 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 08 Dec 2021 at 16:00 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for general developments until Sunday. Medium for cloud details.

**Headline for Thursday 09 Dec 2021:** Bright spells at first. Afternoon and evening snow.

**Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 09 Dec 2021**

**Blizzards**
Low Likelihood

**Heavy Snow**
Low Likelihood

**Storm force winds**
No Likelihood

**Gales**
No Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**
Low Likelihood

**Poor visibility**
Low Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**
No Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**
No Likelihood

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | | | |
| 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| Partly cloudy (night) | Partly cloudy (night) | Light snow | Cloudy | Sunny intervals | Heavy snow | Heavy snow | Heavy snow showers (night) |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | | | |
| 20% | 20% | 40% | 30% | 20% | 50% | 70% | 60% |

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**Weather:** Mainly dry with some clear spells overnight, but wintry showers by dawn. Early wintry showers dying out to leave much of daylight hours dry with some bright spells. However, snow and low level rain around the west coast from mid-afternoon, affecting the rest of the area around dusk. Rain mainly below 600m.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 30% becoming 70% around the middle of the day, falling 20% or less around dusk.

**Visibility:** Mainly good or very good during daylight hours, occasionally poor in snow. Becoming poor or very poor at height around dusk. Extensive cloud, base 600 to 900m lifting and clearing for a time around midday. Cloud becoming extensive, base 600m, around dusk.

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| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) | | | | | Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | 18/21 N | 19/22 SW | 17/20 SW | 17/21 SW | 20/26 S | 27/34 S | 29/37 SW | 27/37 SW | 27/37 SW |
| **900** | 8/11 NW | 11/15 W | 10/14 SW | 12/16 SW | 15/21 S | 20/27 S | 19/26 SW | 20/30 W | 20/29 W |
| **600** | 8/10 W | 10/14 SW | 10/13 SW | 12/16 SW | 15/21 S | 23/30 S | 19/26 SW | 19/28 SW | 18/27 SW |
| **300** | 4/6 E | 5/7 SW | 5/8 S | 6/10 S | 8/14 S | 13/22 S | 10/17 SW | 11/20 W | 11/19 SW |
| **Glen** | 3/7 NW | 3/7 W | 3/6 W | 4/9 SW | 5/11 S | 11/22 S | 10/21 SW | 9/20 W | 9/19 W |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | -3/-10 | -4/-11 | -3/-10 | -3/-10 | -4/-11 | -4/-12 | -4/-12 | -5/-13 | -5/-14 |
| **900** | -2/-6 | -2/-6 | -1/-6 | -1/-6 | -1/-7 | -2/-8 | -1/-8 | -2/-9 | -3/-10 |
| **600** | 1/-3 | 1/-3 | 1/-3 | 1/-3 | 2/-3 | 1/-5 | 1/-5 | 0/-6 | -1/-7 |
| **300** | 2/0 | 2/0 | 3/0 | 3/1 | 4/1 | 3/-2 | 3/-0 | 2/-2 | 2/-3 |
| **Glen** | 3/1 | 3/2 | 4/2 | 4/3 | 5/3 | 5/1 | 5/2 | 4/1 | 3/0 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 600m | 700m | 800m | 900m | 700m | 700m | 800m | 600m | 400m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**
Nothing to add.

**Forecast for Friday 10 Dec 2021**
**Weather:** Mostly cloudy with snow showers and a few drier and brighter spells. Most of the snow showers dying out in the evening with clear spells. Showers mainly of rain below 600m.

**Maximum wind:** West or Northwest 20 to 25 gusts 35mph with a significant wind chill.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 70%

**Visibility:** Very good, but poor or very poor in snow showers. Occasional or extensive cloud, mainly around the summits, but lower in showers.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 1 Celsius rising to 5 Celsius
**At 800m:** Minus 2 Celsius
**Freezing level:** Around 600m

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